

NURSERY

April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to Term 5 and an especially warm welcome to our new children and families.

Our Theme

Our theme this term is 'In the Garden'. We will be busy in the nursery garden, developing our allotment area, where we will be learning about plants and how to care for them. There will be lots of focus on outdoor learning, investigating the signs of spring and learning about the changes that happen, including the weather and living things. We will also be exploring the characteristics of different minibeasts and learning about their habitats.

We will be inviting you into Nursery to join us in some mini beast hunting and identification where you can create your own mini beast hotels to take home and put in an outside space.

We will continue to focus on the sounds s a t p i n, along with investigating the same initial sounds in different words. For example, which words start with 's' (snake, spoon etc.). The children will also continue to develop their mark making and writing. Creating in a variety of shapes and patterns in developing complexity will help the children to learn how to form their letters accurately.

The children will continue to choose a book from our library box. Please share these books with your child, read and re-read stories. Talk about the characters and storyline, come up with alternative endings or make a prediction about what might happen next. Make use of your child's story journal as we have really enjoyed sharing all the lovely pictures and ideas with the children. You could personalise the front cover of the Journal with your child by drawing a picture, writing their name, or decorating it with stickers.

<u>Reminders</u>

Kirton is a Nut Free school. There are children who have severe allergies to nuts. Please do not send your child with any food containing nuts.

Please ensure that all your child's belongings are clearly named. We have a growing selection of items in our lost and found box. Please take some time to look through this and claim any items belonging to your child.

If your child does not have any wellington boots in school, please provide them with a named pair that can stay at nursery.

Warmer weather

As the weather is getting warmer, children will need to bring hats into nursery. Please ensure that these are clearly named. Sun cream must not be brought into nursery as it cannot be applied at nursery. If necessary, sun cream should be applied at home before coming to school.

Important Dates

15.04.24 - First day of Term 5
06.05.24 - May Day Bank Holiday
21.05.24 - 2.30pm - 3.30pm - Stay and Play - Wild About Minibeasts!
24.05.24 - Last day of term
03.06.24 - First day of term 6

Yours sincerely

Ms Reynolds Nursery Teacher



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HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING THIS TERM:

Key things that parents can do to support their child this term related to things they will be learning about:

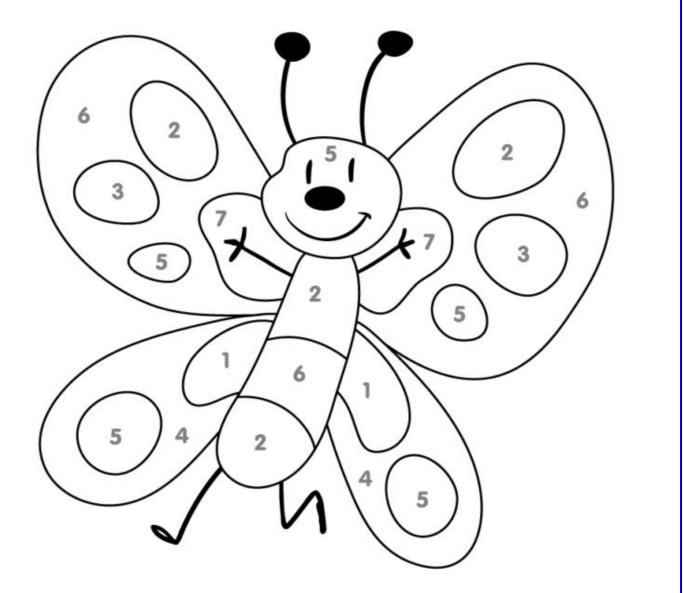
- Talk to your child as much as possible, extending their vocabulary by using a range of words with the same meaning.
- Use letter sounds rather than names when referring to letters and emphasise the initial sound of keywords by repeating it twice before the word 'K K Kirton'.
- Try to count as often as possible with your child how many steps you take, number of buttons.
 Compare different amounts using the words of 'more' and 'less'. Encourage your child to notice and recognise numbers and letters in the environment.

Go for a walk around a garden or park. Look carefully to see what plants and flowers you can see growing. You could take some photos or draw some pictures of the things you see. KIRTON PRIMARY SCHOOL TERM 5 NEWSLETTER 2024



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1 red	2 yellow	3 green	4 blue
5 orange	6 pink	7 purple	





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Try growing some plants at home. You could try planting some seeds in a pot or in your garden. Remember to give your seeds some water and put them somewhere sunny. Cress seeds grow quite quickly.

